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Questions from the Offit Staff on
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of the document on Soviet landbridge
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13. Who at DOD objected to the New Orleans repair facility people? Why?

We know nothing about this matter. It should be checked with people in counter-intelligence at DOD. []

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14. Where are the manifests for the routes?

This is a question for Customs. []

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15. What written agreement is there for the landbridge operation? When and where was it signed? Was it part of the detente effort?

Soviet landbridge liner operations in US trade were facilitated by the US/Soviet Maritime Agreements in effect from the end of 1972 to the end of 1981. The agreements came into effect as part of detente policies. We do not know if any more specific agreements were required to permit the landbridge operations. The Office of Maritime Affairs at State, the Federal Maritime Commission, of the ICC may know more. []

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16. Do we have the privilege of shipping across the Soviet Union? Do we do it?

The USSR's Trans-Siberian Landbridge Service, which functions as a common carrier for containerized goods moving between Western and Eastern Europe and Iran to the west and southwest of the USSR and trading countries in the Orient with sea links to Soviet Pacific ports including Japan, the Phillipines, and Australia, accepts containers from all shippers. Thus US firms with subsidiaries in any of the countries involved are free to use the Soviet landbridge. We have no idea how many actually do. []

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17. Is there any unusual activity around sub bases or nuclear weapons sites?

This question is more appropriate for the FBI, DOD, or DOE. []

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18. In whose jurisdiction does this fall if they are conducting surveillance? FBI, ICC, or US Customs Service?

This is a matter for the FBI and the appropriate DOD and DOE counter-intelligence services. []

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